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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
Isak deVilliers Louw, *et. al*

U.S. Patent No. 7,225,561

Serial No.: 10/532,461

Atty. Dkt. No.: 10025.0160.PCUS00

Issue Date: June 5, 2007

For: Oxyfluorination

REQUEST FOR CORRECTED PATENT
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UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 254

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Applicants request an expedited corrected patent to be issued pursuant to 37 CFR 1.322 (b) ("If the nature of mistake on the part of the Office is such that a certificate of correction is deemed inappropriate in form, the Director may issue a corrected patent in lieu thereof as a more appropriate form for certificate of correction, without expense to the patentee."). The errors described below, and enclosed in form PTO-1050, are incurred through the fault of the Patent and Trademark Office, are clearly disclosed by the records of the Office, and are of a form that

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requires a corrected patent in lieu of a certificate of correction. In the alternative, Applicants request an expedited Certificate of Correction under 37 CFR 1.322(a).

Enclosed are two originals of the form PTO-1050 correcting the following errors:

Claim 1, lines 21-24, "elastomeric materials having constituents which are not confined to carbon and hydrogen and which include, in addition to carbon and hydrogen, other atomic species as constituents" should read

--elastomeric materials having constituents which are confined to carbon and hydrogen, polymeric materials having constituents which are not confined to carbon and hydrogen and which include, in addition to carbon and hydrogen, other atomic species as constituents, elastomeric materials having constituents which are not confined to carbon and hydrogen and which include, in addition to carbon and hydrogen, other atomic species as constituents--;

Claim 1, line 27, "our" should read --out--.

The errors identified above and in form PTO-1050, are disclosed in the record. However, in order to expedite the consideration of this request, Applicants have enclosed the following relevant documents and describe them as follows. On January 29, 2007, Applicants filed an RCE (**Exhibit 1** (RCE submission)) with a submission under 37 CFR 1.114 for entering the amendments previously filed in Applicants' Amendment After Allowance Mailed 11/21/2006 (**Exhibit 2** (11/21/2006 Amendment)). This 11/21/2006 Amendment amended Applicants' claim 1 to correct the errors listed above. Applicants' RCE filing was proper and the amendments made to the claims were made as a matter of right. Accordingly, on February 23, 2007 the Examiner reviewed amended claim 1 from Applicants' 11/21/2006 Amendment (*see Exhibit 3* (PAIR Image File Wrapper)) and signed the front page of such amendment with "OK to enter Stephen Gravini," (**Exhibit 4**). Applicants' pending claims were then allowed. Upon reviewing the issued patent **7,225,561**, it is readily apparent that the amendments, made by Applicants' 11/21/2006 Amendment, do not appear in claim 1 as published.

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Applicants require a corrected patent (or alternatively, a certificate of correction) in an expedited fashion due to the form of the Patent and Trademark Office's errors to Applicant's claim 1 and due to the need to provide the **correct** claims in support of Applicants' foreign filings.

In light of the above, Applicants request an expedited corrected patent to be issued pursuant to 37 CFR 1.322 (b), or in the alternative an expedited certificate of correction under 37 CFR 1.322(a). When the above-requested Corrected Patent or Certificate of Correction has been completed and printed, please forward the official Corrected Patent or Certificate of Correction to the Attorney of Record.

At this time, Applicants do not believe that any fee should be required, however, should the Commissioner deem any other fees necessary regarding this application, the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fee from Deposit Account No. Deposit Account No. 08-3038/10025.0160.PCUS00.

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INVENTOR(S) : Louw et al.

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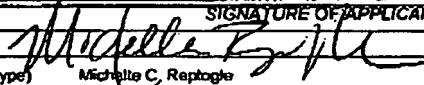
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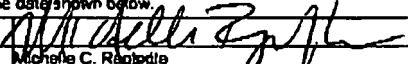
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I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.312, Applicants respectfully request the following:

- Applicants respectfully request the examiner to amend claim 1 as follows as such amendment is needed for proper protection of Applicants' claimed invention and will not require a substantial amount of additional work on the part of the Office.
- Applicants further request the examiner to consider document CN1336281 (B1). Applicants have just recently been made aware of this reference and discloses the reference in compliance with Applicants' duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

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II. AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims to read as follows:

1. (Currently Amended): A process for the activation by oxyfluorination of at least part of a surface of a solid, which process includes exposing, under selected conditions of temperature and pressure and for a selected reaction time, at least part of the surface of the material of the solid to an oxyfluorinating atmosphere which is a gas/vapour mixture which includes at least one fluorine-containing gas which reacts with the material of the exposed surface, at least one oxygen-containing gas which reacts with the material of the exposed surface, and water vapour, said gases in the oxyfluorinating atmosphere acting to oxyfluorinate the exposed surface, thereby to activate the exposed surface to enhance the amenability of the exposed surface to adhesive bonding to other materials, the process including the steps whereby, in combination,

the solid material which is subjected to activation by oxyfluorination is selected from the group whose members consist of carbon, polymeric materials having constituents which are confined to carbon and hydrogen, elastomeric materials having constituents which are confined to carbon and hydrogen, polymeric materials having constituents which are not confined to carbon and hydrogen and which include, in addition to carbon and hydrogen, other atomic species as constituents, elastomeric materials having constituents which are not confined to carbon and hydrogen and which include, in addition to carbon and hydrogen, other atomic species as constituents, and mixtures of any two or more of said members;

the exposing of the solid surface to the oxyfluorinating atmosphere is carried [[our]] out on a continuous basis by continuously transporting the solid through an open-ended reaction chamber; and

the water vapour acts further to enhance the amenability of the exposed surface, provided by the oxyfluorination achieved by said gases, to adhesive bonding to said other materials.

2-7. (Canceled)

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8. (Previously presented): A process as claimed in Claim 1, which includes selecting carbon as the material which is subjected to activation by oxyfluorination.

9-11. (Canceled)

12. (Previously presented): A process as claimed in Claim 1, which includes selecting the fluorine containing gas from the group consisting of F₂, XeF₂, CIF, CIF₃, BrF, BrF₃, BrF₅, IF₇, OF₂, O₂F₂ and mixtures of any two or more thereof.

13. (Previously presented): A process as claimed in Claim 1, which includes selecting the oxygen-containing gas which reacts with the exposed surface from molecular oxygen, ozone and mixtures thereof.

14. (Previously presented): A process as claimed in Claim 1, which includes diluting the oxyfluorinating atmosphere with a diluent gas which is inert to the exposed surface and inert to the other constituents of the oxyfluorinating atmosphere, and does not react therewith.

15-16 (Canceled)

17. (Previously presented): A process as claimed in Claim 1, which includes using, as the oxyfluorinating atmosphere, a gas/vapour mixture of molecular fluorine, molecular oxygen and water vapour.

18. (Original): A process as claimed in Claim 17, which includes diluting the oxyfluorinating atmosphere, using molecular nitrogen as a diluent.

19-28. (Canceled)

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29. (Previously presented): A process as claimed in Claim 1, which includes exposing the solid material to a said oxyfluorinating atmosphere in which the fluorine-containing gas forms 5-20% by volume and the oxygen-containing gas forms 5-95% by volume.

30-39. (Canceled)

40. (Previously presented): A process as claimed in Claim 1 in which the exposing of the solid surface to the oxyfluorinating atmosphere is for a period of 1 second – 1 hour.

41. (Previously presented): A process as claimed in Claim 1, in which the solid surface which is exposed to the oxyfluorinating atmosphere is dry.

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III. REMARKS

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Applicants submit that the amendments to claim 1 are needed for proper protection of Applicants' claimed invention and will not require a substantial amount of additional work on the part of the Office.

The examiner rightly recognized, in Examiner's Amendment dated October 24, 2006, that claim 1 erroneously contained two duplicative occurrences of the following limitation: "elastomeric materials having constituents which are not confined to carbon and hydrogen and which include, in addition to carbon and hydrogen, other atomic species as constituents." And accordingly, the examiner deleted the second occurrence of this limitation by way of the Examiner's Amendment referenced above.

Upon review, Applicants have discovered that the second occurrence of this limitation is correct, and instead, the first occurrence of this limitation was in error. Accordingly, Applicants have amended claim 1 to read as follows:

1. (Currently Amended): A process for the activation by oxyfluorination of at least part of a surface of a solid, which process includes exposing, under selected conditions of temperature and pressure and for a selected reaction time, at least part of the surface of the material of the solid to an oxyfluorinating atmosphere which is a gas/vapour mixture which includes at least one fluorine-containing gas which reacts with the material of the exposed surface, at least one oxygen-containing gas which reacts with the material of the exposed surface, and water vapour, said gases in the oxyfluorinating atmosphere acting to oxyfluorinate the exposed surface, thereby to activate the exposed surface to enhance the amenability of the exposed surface to adhesive bonding to other materials, the process including the steps whereby, in combination, the solid material which is subjected to activation by oxyfluorination is selected from the group whose members consist of carbon, polymeric materials having constituents which are confined to carbon and hydrogen, elastomeric materials having constituents which are confined to carbon and hydrogen, polymeric materials having constituents which are not confined to carbon and hydrogen and which include, in addition to carbon and hydrogen, other atomic species as constituents, elastomeric materials having constituents which are not confined to carbon and hydrogen and which include, in addition to carbon and hydrogen, other atomic species as constituents, and mixtures of any two or more of said members; the exposing of the solid surface to the oxyfluorinating atmosphere is carried [[our]] on a continuous basis by continuously transporting the solid through an open-ended reaction chamber; and the water vapour acts further to enhance the amenability of the exposed surface, provided by the oxyfluorination achieved by said gases, to adhesive bonding to said other materials.

Applicants respectfully submit that no additional search or substantial amount of additional work is needed by the above amendments to claim 1, and further, that claim 1 is patentable over the art of record. The Examiner's reasons for allowance stated as follows:



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The claimed invention including oxyfluorinating solid material activation from groups consisting of carbon, carbon and hydrogen confined polymeric materials, carbon and hydrogen non-confined elastomeric materials, and mixtures of any two thereof in an open ended reaction chamber exposure with water vapor acting to enhance amenability of the exposed surface, provided by the oxyfluorination achieved by gases, to adhesive bonding to other materials is not found in the prior art either singly or in combination. The closest prior art are Mori et al. (US 6,620,282) which discloses solid bonding with out an agent but not the independently claimed carbon and Vargo et al (US 6,790,526) which discloses oxythiopolymer adhesive composite with covalently bonded carbon polymer but not the necessary motivation or combination suggestion to obviate the claimed invention.

By the above amendment, Applicant's claimed invention includes a carbon and hydrogen confined elastomeric material and a carbon and hydrogen non-confined polymeric material. However, Applicants do not believe that the examination of the above amendments will require a substantial amount of additional work in light of the Examiner's previous reasons for allowance articulated above and believe that the claims remain in condition for allowance. MPEP § 714.16.

Applicants have further amended an obvious typographical error in claim 1 having replaced "our" with "out."

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT:

In addition to the above claim amendments, Applicants have just recently been made aware of document, CN1336281. Accordingly, in compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the document listed on attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record. An original copy of CN1336281 (B1) and a copy of the translation of CN1336281 are enclosed for the examiner's consideration.

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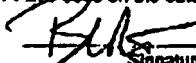
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